SESSION GUIDE



Extraordinary Apportionment Session – March 14, 2012





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Rule Reminder

Summary of <u>House Rule 5.8</u>-Legislative Reapportionment and Congressional Redistricting Bills and Amendments

Bills and amendments proposing any reapportionment or redistricting of the state's legislative or congressional districts shall be submitted to the Redistricting Committee in the form prescribed by the Speaker. The committee staff of the Redistricting Committee shall submit such proposals to the House Bill Drafting Service as requested by the sponsor. After final drafting, approval for filing shall be in the ordinary manner.

For more information on drafting and filing joint resolutions of apportionment, please contact the Redistricting Committee at (850) 488-3928. You will be able to view proposed redistricting bills on the House and Senate's respective redistricting web pages.

House Business

The Florida Legislature will convene for an Extraordinary Apportionment Session beginning Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 1 p.m. Per Article III Section 16 (d) of the Florida Constitution, the Supreme Court determined that the apportionment of the state Senate map made by the Legislature was invalid and the governor reconvened the Legislature to adopt a joint resolution of apportionment conforming to the judgment of the Supreme Court.

It is expected that the House will vote on the joint resolution near the end of the 15-day Extraordinary Apportionment Session.

For more information on the purpose and schedule of the Extraordinary Apportionment Session, view:

Opinion of the Supreme Court of Florida

Speaker Cannon's Memo to House Members

Governor Scott's Proclamation on the Extraordinary

Apportionment Session

Article III Section 16 (d) of the Florida Constitution-Legislative
Apportionment

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